

LIBERTYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
District No. 70
Libertyville, Illinois

June 23, 2014

The regular meeting of the Board of Education District No. 70, Lake County, Illinois, was held at the ERC on Monday, June 23, 2014. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Mrs. Maryann Ovassapian, Board President.

The following members answered present at roll call: Mrs. Damenti, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lund, Mrs. Ovassapian, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, and Mr. Vickers.

Absent: None.

Also present: Dr. Schumacher, Dr. Valentin, Dr. Bean, Mr. Youngman, Mrs. Imholz, Robin Kollman, and guests.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Mrs. Lund, seconded by Mrs. Damenti, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Joint Services Committee of May 19, 2014, the Regular Board meeting of May 19, 2014, and the Special Board Meeting of May 31, 2014, and that they become part of the formal District 70 records. Further, that the minutes of the Executive Session of May 19, 2014, be approved and that they be maintained in a confidential file until such time as the Board of Education releases them by formal action. All in favor. Motion carried.

FINANCE REPORTS

Motion was made by Mr. Vickers, seconded by Mrs. Lund, that the Board of Education approve the bills listed and presented for payment in the following amounts:

A. EDUCATION	\$ 232,551.32
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 67,176.95
C. DEBT SERVICE	\$ 300,430.01
D. BOND & INTEREST	\$
E. TRANSPORTATION	\$ 250,656.25
F. IMRF	\$
G. CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$
H. IMPREST	\$ 1,277.96

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Damenti, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lund, Mrs. Ovassapian, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, and Mr. Vickers. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Vickers, seconded by Mrs. Lund, that the Board of Education approve the payroll requests for the month of MAY 2014:

<u>MAY 2014</u>	
A. EDUCATION	\$ 1,617,254.90
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 88,025.67
C. TRANSPORTATION	\$
TOTAL:	\$ 1,705,280.57

On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lund, Mrs. Ovassapian, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, Mr. Vickers, and Mrs. Damenti. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no requests at this time. Dr. Schumacher introduced Sara Thompson, Champions Program Coordinator, who was in attendance. He thanked her for being visible in the District and said District 70 greatly appreciated her help.

REPORT FROM DR. W. GUY SCHUMACHER

Dr. Schumacher reported on the following:

- A. Dr. Schumacher said that, “Each year, I am continually impressed with the work of our talented students. Again, I offer congratulations to all students who participated Destination Imagination.” Six teams went to the Global Competition late last month in Knoxville, Tennessee. This is the largest group District 70 has sent to the world competition.

Tying for 38th place in the Tension Builds challenge was Copeland Manor’s team “*Team T.E.A.M.*” with team members: Jonathan Ciullo, Liam Gaiden, Grant Giardina, Nathanael Herman, George Huber, Grant Keriazakos and Sean Paden. Team managers were Traci Keriazakos, Stacie Herman and Jean Giardina. In the challenge, the team built a structure that was tested against two forces, designed and assembled a prop during the presentation, and also created a story where tension is a threat to stability.

Tying for 30th place in the Laugh Art Loud challenge was Butterfield School’s “*Five for One*” team. The team challenge was to present a theatrical comic strip created by real artists while also showing off a Caption Contraption they created for one of the comic strip panels. Team members included: Abby Gordon, Kate Hopkins, Nadia Lausch, Ryan McGrory.

Placing 33rd at Globals in the Pandemonium challenge, was Rockland School’s “*Revenge of the Monkicorns.*” In the challenge, the presentation showed how characters worked to deal with pandemonium during a certain time period, using stage makeup to develop characters

included in an improvisational skit. Team members included: Kara Cannon, Madeline Michelotti, Kylie Miller, Jamie Nicholson, Briana Rojas, Sarah Rosten, and Kenzie Shutts. The team manager was Barb Cannon.

Placing in 23rd place at Globals for the Elementary School level for the Dig In challenge was the Adler Park and Butterfield Team, “*Do You Want Cream Cheese With That Bagel?*” Members of the team were: Lily Ervine, Chase Houser, Celia McDermott-Hinman, Dillon McDonald, Noah Scally, Eric Sparks, and Ryan Tanzer. The Team Manager was Greg Sparks.

Tying for 20th place on the Middle School level for the Dig In challenge at Globals was the Highland Middle School Team, “*Wait, How Do You Say That?*” In the challenge, the team designed and built equipment to detect objects in their hiding places while presenting a story about a technology that detects things a human cannot sense without help. Members of the team were: Elias Anderson, Alex Dikelsky, Jacob Dikelsky, Jordan Erdal, Matthew Olson, and Adam Sparks. The Team Manager was Greg Sparks.

For the Pitch & Play challenge, Copeland Manor’s, “*Beamers*” Team tied for 10th place, which was really impressive, in the Global competition with team members: Grace Dillon, Megan Post, Greta Schultz, and Katherine Thomey. The team managers were Tom Thomey and Kurt Schultz. In the service learning challenge, the team designed and carried out a project that addressed a real community need, playing to meet the project goal and using a team-created elevator pitch to enlist help. This group created Libertyville’s first Game Day in Cook Memorial Park on Friday, May 2.

A very special congratulations to all participants, coaches and sponsors!!

- B. He also shared that District 70 again had a strong participation in the Metra Safety Poster Art Contest. The Metra art contest is an annual competition that works to teach train safety through communication and problem solving in a creative and artistic visual format. Once the artwork makes it to the finals at Metra headquarters it is passed through three more rounds of judges, including train engineers, Dr. Schumacher thought this was really cool. The "Elements and Principles of Design" are critical in the poster features and this year two students from Copeland Manor School achieved placement in the contest. Samantha Chen won first place in 3rd Grade and Ally Humbert placed 3rd in 2nd Grade. The promotional theme, "Get Smart: Look, Listen and Live." is a key in Metra's ongoing effort to increase public awareness of lifesaving railroad safety practices. Congratulations to our talented winners and their art teacher, Cindi Sartain. Dr. Schumacher shared a photo from the Metra website of the 1st place winner.
- C. Dr. Schumacher recognized the many students, both on the editorial staff and those whose work was selected for placement, in the 6th annual edition of Highland Middle School’s “*Write in the Middle,*” Literary Magazine. The goal of the project, originally created through a Business Partners mini grant application, is to offer students the opportunity to showcase their work whether in essay, poetry, short story or visual artistry format. “I commend the entire

Language Arts team at Highland, and the dedicated Library Director Erin Wyatt for sponsoring and guiding another impressive publication.” The latest edition was passed around for the Board to view.

- D. Dr. Schumacher shared an email and photo from a parent recognizing the dedication of four middle school graduates who, on the first day of summer break collaborated with great intent to build a catapult.

“Dear Mr. Hallmark,

Here is what some of your graduates were doing on their first day of summer! Kevin Villanueva, Jack Stevens, Alex Aksland, and Carl Michelotti designed and built a catapult on their own. They even went to Lowes and purchased the materials with their own money. This picture shows curiosity, planning, problem solving, perseverance, and teamwork. I have been impressed by the many engaging and challenging projects they have done over the years and I want to thank you and your staff for all you have done for Kevin. He had a great middle school experience and is prepared for high school. Thanks for everything.

Sincerely,

Carol McKinny”

- E. A special thank you to Lorenzo Cervantes for a wonderful start to the District 70 Summer School program and again to all who participated in the recent District 70 Strategic Plan Review. Dr. Schumacher has completed the Strategic Plan summary, which can now be found on our District’s Dashboard, thank you to Art Hughes for posting it so quickly.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Motion was made by Mrs. Lund, seconded by Mr. Vickers, that the Board of Education approve personnel recommendation contained in this Board Report No. 7.1A.

RESIGNATION: Erica Marko, Paraeducator at Adler, affirming resignation received June 5, 2014, effective end of 2013-2014 school year. **DISABILITY:** Dave Duma, Day Custodian at Highland, effective May 21, 2014. **CHANGE IN STATUS:** Tom Lichamer, from Temporary Night Custodian to Day Custodian at Highland, effective May 21, 2014; Miles Russell, from .5 Special Education and .5 Paraeducator at Copeland to Full Time Special Education at Copeland and Highland, effective August 18, 2014; Megan Wood, from .5 Kindergarten and .5 Paraeducator at Butterfield, to Full Time Kindergarten at Butterfield, effective August 18, 2014.

NEW EMPLOYMENT: Jessica Fenton, Health and Middle School Skills at Highland, 2014-2015 school year; Katie Lenzi, Learning Center Clerk at Highland, 2014-2015 school year; Sara Snider, 4th Grade at Copeland, 2014-2015 school year; Christopher Vipond, Technology Literacy Coach, District-wide, 2014-2015 school year. **TERMINATION:** Paul Weber, Custodian at Highland, effective June 5, 2014.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Lund, Mrs. Ovassapian, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, Mr. Vickers, Mrs. Damenti, and Mr. Kennedy. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 5:35

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Vickers, that the Board of Education approve Board Policy 5:35 – Compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act, as it appeared in Board Report No. 7.2, Exhibit A.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Ovassapian, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, Mr. Vickers, Mrs. Damenti, Mr. Kennedy, and Mrs. Lund. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE CLIC INSURANCE RENEWAL AND WIRE TRANSFER OF INSURANCE PREMIUMS

Motion was made by Mrs. Damenti, seconded by Mrs. Lund, that the Board of Education approve the 2014-2015 wire transfer payment of \$245,379.00 for CLIC Insurance Pool renewal and supplemental payment.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, Mr. Vickers, Mrs. Damenti, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lund, and Mrs. Ovassapian. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE PREVAILING WAGE ACT

Motion was made by Mrs. Damenti, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, that the Board of Education adopt the Prevailing Wage Act resolution. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES

Motion was made by Mr. Stowe, seconded by Mrs. Lund, that the Board of Education approve the depositories designated for fiscal year FY2015. Mr. Kennedy abstained, majority in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FY2015 FACILITY RENTAL RATES

Motion was made by Mr. Vickers, seconded by Mr. Stowe, that the Board of Education adopt the FY 2015 Facility Rental rates as presented.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Stowe, Mr. Vickers, Mrs. Damenti, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lund, Mrs. Ovassapian, and Mrs. Schilling. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL FOR THE PERMANENT TRANSFER OF WORKING CASH FUND INTEREST INCOME TO THE OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE FUND

Motion was made by Mrs. Lund, seconded by Mrs. Damenti, that the Board of Education authorizes the District Treasurer to transfer \$30,000.00 in Working Cash Fund Interest Income to the Operations & Maintenance Fund per Section 105 ILCS 5/20-5 of the Illinois School Code.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Vickers, Mrs. Damenti, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lund, Mrs. Ovassapian, Mrs. Schilling, and Mr. Stowe. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF C&E SOLAR PANEL INVOICES

Motion was made by Mr. Vickers, seconded by Mrs. Damenti, that the Board of Education approve the deposit checks in the amount of \$150,000 per project to C&E Solutions.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Damenti, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lund, Mrs. Ovassapian, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, and Mr. Vickers. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

FIRST READING OF NEW POLICY 5:240

To accurately reflect legislative actions and/or current District 70 practice, Dr. Bean presented the following Board of Education Policy: 5:240 Professional Personnel: Suspension.

WEBSITE MANAGEMENT UPDATE

Dr. Schumacher introduced Art Hughes, District 70 Web Developer and Network Data Manager, who offered an update of changes created for the District 70 website during the 2013-2014 school year. In addition, he reviewed specific data gathered from the website and how it can be analyzed for supportive use, and also shared creatively designed pages offered for staff use as they portray a personalized internet presence for their individual sites. Questions were asked and answered at the end of his presentation.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT 9.1

- A. Attendance at the Triple I conference in November was discussed. Board President Mrs. Ovassapian encouraged Board members to check out the website at: www.iasb.com/jac14 Please let Becky or herself know if you are interested in attending.
- B. Mrs. Ovassapian passed around the Board Governance Binder that Dr. Schumacher has created to reapply for the award. Last year the Board was denied the award due to one missing piece, which they thought they had completed. Mrs. Ovassapian said, “We are keeping our fingers crossed this year and hoping for this much deserved recognition for all that you do as a Board for District 70.”
- C. Board member Jennifer Lund gave a brief update on the recent SEDOL meeting she had attended. She congratulated Dr. Schumacher, who was voted in, unanimously, as an Executive Board member. The majority of the meeting concerned the SEDOL Budget. Fees for participating members and non-members will be voted on in the near future as well as a projected 8 million needed for repairs to facilities over the next 5 years. If anyone has any questions they should contact her.

BOARD OF EDUCATION CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Thank you notes were received from Carole Janossy, The Ovassapian family, Dana Barron, Linda Knoll, and Sally Parkhill.

OTHER

Nothing to report at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Stowe, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Maryann Ovassapian, Board President

Jennifer Lund, Board Secretary